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DIGITAL IMAGE CODING/DECODING
METHOD AND DATA RECORDING MEDIUM
(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional
of Serial No. 09/155,398,
Filed February 2, 1999)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant requests consideration of ☒ the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and/or ☐ the additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the form PTO-1449 and each U.S. patent application listed below is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for each reference previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in prior parent application Serial No. 09/155,398, filed February 2, 1999.

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JP 3-89792 was cited in an Official Action issued September 29, 2000 (submitted in parent application in IDS filed November 22, 2000) in the corresponding Korean patent application.

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
- a. ☐ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
 - b. ☒ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted in the parent application in an IDS filed on September 29, 1998.
 - c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page ,
 - d. ☒ the concise explanations were submitted in the parent application in Information Disclosure Statements filed on September 29, 1998 and November 22, 2000 .
 - e. ☐ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5. ☒ A European search report citing one or more of the references was submitted in the parent application in an IDS filed on October 5, 2000.

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*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	5,274,442	12/1993	Murakami et al.			
	AB	6,026,195	2/2000	Eifrig et al.			
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	AJ	5-284535	10/29/93	JP			Abstract	
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AO	Sikora T: "The MPEG-4 Video Standard Verification Model" IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, US, IEEE INC. New York, vol. 7, no. 1, February 1, 1997, pages 19-31, XP000678877 ISSN: 1051-8215
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